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Francfort, Nov. 11.

THis Morning the Sieur *de St. Romain* and the Sieur *Harlay*, Ambassadors and Plenipotentiaries of *France* (who arrived here the first) were to visit the Count of *Rosemberg*, and the Sieur *Straetman*, the Imperial Ambassadors; after which they likewise visited the Baron *de Schonborne*, Ambassador from the Elector of *Mentz*. All the Ministers, that are to compose the Assembly to be held here, on the part of the Emperor, the Colledge of Electors, the Colledge of Princes, and the Imperial Cities on one side, and on the part of the French King on the other, being now upon the Place, it's not doubted but the Conferences will be begun in few days.

Cologne, Nov. 14. From *Ratisbone* we have an Account that the Deputy of the Elector of *Mentz*, had taken notice in the Dyet, of a Report that was spread abroad, as if his Master was Treating with the French, and had assured them of the falsity of it: and that the Imperial Chamber at *Spire* had written a Letter to the French King, to pray him to Grant that City a Neutrality, and had received for Answer, *That they had no need of it in a time of Peace*; and that the States of the Empire being informed of it, have very much blamed the said Chamber, for making such a step, without first Consulting with the Dyet.

Brussels, Nov. 11. On Saturday last came hither a French Officer, sent by the Mareschal *d' Humieres*, to demand the liberty of a person, who, being a Subject of *Spain*, and formerly in the Service of these Countreys, during the late War, retired with the Baron *de Quincy* into that of *France*; but returning since the Peace to *Mons*, was apprehended there for holding Correspondence with the French, and condemned to be sent to *Oran*, and was accordingly put on board the Ships that lately sailed from *Ostend* for *Spain*; and the Mareschal *d' Humieres* threatens, that if he be not restored to his liberty, he will make Reprisals upon such Spanish Officers as the French Troops shall at any time meet with. Our Spanish Letters tell us, that the Duke of *Montalto* has resigned his Command of General of the Horse in these Countreys, which it's probable will be given to the Prince of *Vaudemont*.

Hague, Nov. 18. The Answer which the States-General returned to the Memorial, Presented on the 8th Instant by the Count *d' Avaux*, was, as we are informed, to this effect: *That they were very desirous of his Majesties Friendship, and that they would not do any thing that might give him any just occasion of offence*; *That they had that Opinion of his Majesties Equity, as not to be able to think, that their making any Alliances for the good, and preservation of their Subjects, could be offensive to his Majesty, they being a Free and Sovereign State. That they would not conceal to his Majesty, that they had on the 20th of the last Month, made a League with the King of* Sweden, *for the preserving the Peace of* Westphalia *and* Nimeguen, *which they could not think his Majesty would dislike, seeing they perswaded themselves, that his Majesties intentions were to maintain the Peace of* Europe. The 14th Instant, being the Prince of *Orange's* Birth-day, all the Forreign Ministers were to Compliment his Highness. Prince *Casimir*, Stadtholder of *Friesland*, is often with the French Ambassador, which gives some jealousie.

Hague, Nov. 21. The Swedish Minister here has acquainted the States, by the hand of the Pensionary *Fagel*, that the King his Master had received the News of the conclusion of the League between his Majesty and this State with much satisfaction; That the French Ambassador having had notice of it, seemed much concerned, and had not forbore to complain of it; but that he had been answered, That the King was resolved to do what lay in him, for the preserving the Peace of the Empire, and that he would employ himself and his Forces in its Defence, whenever there was occasion. The Minister from the Elector of *Cologne* has presented a Memorial to the States-General, wherein he complains of the Sieur *Weblenum*, for that upon his leaving of *Hassell* and *Mayseck*, he obliged the Magistrates thereof to promise, that they would not receive any of his Electoral Highnesses Troops into those Places. The *East-India* Company have resolved to send this year twenty Ships to the *Indies*.

Paris, Nov. 22. The beginning of the last week an Express from *Spain* passed through this City for *Brussels*; he made so much haste, that he did not so much as call upon the Spanish Ambassador here, but as soon as he had changed his Horses, continued his Journey. It is said that he carried Instructions to the Prince of *Parma*, how to act with reference to our Kings Pretensions upon the Countrey of *Alost*. The Chamber of *Metz* having some time since made a Decree for the uniting *Charleville* (which belongs to the Duke of *Mantoua*) to the Crown of *France*, the King since his being possessed of *Cazal*, has Revoked the said Decree. The King has settled a yearly Pension of 12000 Crowns upon the Marquis *de Chamilly*, Governour of *Strasbourg*, for the keeping of his Table, which his Majesty will have him do in an extraordinary manner, that the German Princes and Noblemen may be nobly Entertained when they happen to pass that way. We have an Account from *Algiers*, that that Government has broke the Peace with this Crown, and that they were putting what Ships they could to Sea, to surprize the French Ships that are abroad, who cannot yet have notice of the War, which those Corsairs have Declared, upon pretence that our King did not make good his promise, to release the Moors that were Slaves in his Gallies.

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